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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
Thomas HUNIG : **Box: AF**
Serial No.: 09/449,077 : Examiner: Jessica H. Roark
Filed: November 24, 1999 : Group Art Unit: 1644
For: **HUMAN CD28 SPECIFIC MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2002, kindly amend the above-identified application and consider the remarks which follow.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

The reminder in the Office Action regarding the PTO's preferred arrangement of the specification is noted. It is also noted that such arrangement is merely preferred and not a requirement. Applicants respectfully submit that the current arrangement of the specification is best suited to describing their invention and decline to re-arrange the specification. Such re-arrangement is particularly onerous in view of the new requirements of the PTO as to how amendments to the specification must be made.

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IN THE DRAWINGS

Corrected formal drawings have been submitted under separate cover to the Official Draftsperson for review.